



News from West Valley City Hall

March 2013

City Council Members:

- Mike Winder, Mayor
- Corey Rushton, At-Large
- Don Christensen, At-Large
- Tom Huynh, District 1
- Steve Buhler, District 2
- Karen Lang, District 3
- Steve Vincent, District 4

Public Meetings:

City Council – first four Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Planning Commission – second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 4 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

City Phone Numbers:

Main Number..... 801-966-3600
City Manager..... 801-963-3220
Police Department. 801-963-3386
Police Dispatch..... 801-840-4000
Fire Department..... 801-963-3336
Justice Courts..... 801-963-3590
Emergency911
Family Fitness Center.....
801-955-4000
Garbage Questions 801-955-3720
Storm Water Utility.. 801-963-3448
Housing Authority . 801-963-3320
Parks and Rec..... 801-955-4000
Harman Home 801-965-5822
Stonebridge Golf Course.....
801-957-9000
West Ridge Golf Course.....
801-965-5800
Graffiti Hot Line 801-963-3467
Animal Services..... 801-965-5800
Victims Services 801-963-3223
Ordinance Compliance
801-963-3289
Utah Cultural Celebration Center
801-965-5100

Website:

www.wvc-ut.gov

West Valley City Hall
3600 S. Constitution Blvd.
WVC, UT 84119

City Hall Hours:
Monday – Thursday
7 a.m. – 6 p.m.

TAKE A CLOSER LOOK

A message from Councilmember Corey Rushton

Plentiful impressions can be made from a distance, but authenticity can only be experienced up close. This was the lesson I learned as a young man from my great-grandfather who often beckoned me to venture further out into his garden and take a closer look at the beds that he had been tending to. The beauty of Grandpa's garden, like our City is found in the creative and authentic works performed closest to the home.

From a distance, citywide conditions generally look good as we are quietly raising the standard of expectations in West Valley City. There are many obvious noteworthy things in our community that are being put into place, but ultimately it is up to each resident to take a closer look in order to authentically convert those assets into the City that they love to live in. The ways in which you could focus to make our City great are too diverse to mention. But, if you don't know what your role is in an evolving and authentic West Valley City then please evaluate yourself, your property, and your neighborhood

and I am confident that you will find new ways to offer your time and talents. Additionally, the City's website and WVCTV offers many ideas, programs, and civic committees that could benefit from your participation.

There has never been a better time to become more involved in shaping the future of your City. Therefore, I challenge everyone to love their neighborhood, to reinvest in their homes, and to find new ways to be initiators and shapers of the community. Biographer, poet, and local elementary school namesake Carl Sandberg noted that, *"Time is the coin of your life. It is the only coin you have, and only you can determine how it will be spent. Be careful lest you let other people spend it for you."* A safe, comfortable, and authentic West Valley City depends on everyone taking a closer look and converting old impressions into satisfying and sustaining realities for years and generations to come.

Learn HOW to Save a Life Make a Difference!



Class Location:

Fire Station 74
5545 West 3100 South

Class Dates:

Monday, March 18 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 20 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 23 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, March 23 11:30 a.m.
(Spanish)

2 NEW Classes Added:

Wednesday, April 17 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 15 6:00 p.m.

FREE
CPR classes



Class Registration:

- Class is taught by a West Valley City Fire Department Paramedic
- This is an American Heart Association basic CPR Class (non-certification).
- Participants must be at least 8 years old (minors MUST have parent supervision)
- Seating is limited, to guarantee a spot in the class, email:
mary.lindsay@wvc-ut.gov

www.wvc-ut.gov/fire

Sanitation Services

Besides regular garbage and recycling pickup, West Valley City residents can take advantage of the many other sanitation services offered by West Valley City. Visit www.wvc-ut.gov/sanitation for more information.

Neighborhood Dumpsters:

Once per year residents can schedule dumpsters for neighborhood cleanup. Call 801-955-3723 to schedule an appointment.

Bulky Waste:

Residents can use bulky waste to get rid of those big, bulky waste items that don't fit in their normal garbage container. For guidelines and pickup days visit www.wvc-ut.gov/bulkywaste.

Electronic & Glass Recycling:

Electronic waste dropoff is available during business hours (Monday - Thursday 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.) and glass recycling is available 24/7 at the West Valley City Public Works building at 2805 South 3600 West.

Spring Pet Adoption Specials



Cats \$10

Kittens \$25
(under 6 months)

Dogs \$50



By Neighborhood Services Manager Craig Thomas

Most of us enjoy fond memories of our childhoods. I have a head full of wonderful memories from my childhood growing up in Granger. My friends and I traveled from home to home, made expeditions to Valley Fair Mall and the pet shop on Market Street, played hide and seek in the fields south of Pioneer Elementary School. For us the most important thing was being together having lots of fun. Our group of friends could probably tell you who lived in almost every single home in the neighborhood around Pioneer Elementary School with very few and rare exceptions.

I know we live in a very different world today. Long gone are the unlocked and open doors at homes of my friends' parents. The thing that disturbs me most is the loss of a sense of neighborhood in so many parts of our great community. For the past 12 years I have been working at West Valley City as a liaison that connects residents with city services and helps neighbors establish Neighborhood Watch groups. Our office will be sharing information and tips with you every month about ways that we can start reconnecting in our neighborhoods and strengthen our sense of community.

With the first day of spring just around the corner, temperatures are rising. We would like to challenge you to plan and hold a neighborhood block party. These events do not require a lot of money to hold. Get permission from the city to close a street in your neighborhood, invite everyone to attend and bring a favorite pot-luck dish to share, invite the neighborhood band to play music or just hook up a stereo, plan games for kids and adults, and most importantly, meet neighbors for the first time or renew existing friendships. We have a wide range of resources available in our office and online that are all free and ready for you to use, including a guide to help you plan a block party. Feel free to visit us online at www.wvc-ut.gov/neighborhoods or visit our office at West Valley City Hall in suite 230.

Do you have a great neighborhood or story? Do you have some community building tips to share? West Valley City is full of great neighborhoods, please share your stories and tips with us for possible use in a future articles. Not all submissions will be used. City staff will review submissions and determine appropriate content.

Harman Senior Recreation Center Activities

**4090 South 3600 West
801-965-5822**

The Harman Senior Recreation Center is a recreation and activity center for active seniors, offering a variety of fun and exciting classes, outings, and adventures. The Harman Center also offers a variety of informational seminars specifically for seniors.

March

20 First Day of Spring Buffet & entertainment

21 Book Club, 10:30 a.m.

22 Scrapbooking & Card Making, 10 a.m.

22 Fun Bunch Lunch, 10:45 a.m.

22 Western Pacific Railroad Presentation, 11 a.m.

25 Waffles, 9 a.m.

26 Choir @ Taylorsville Center, 11 a.m.

27 Home Invasion Presentation, 11 a.m.

28 Book Club, 10:30 a.m.

29 Scrapbooking & Card Making, 10 a.m.

Weekly Activities
Enhance Fitness,
Tuesday and Thursday,
9:15 a.m.
Pinochle, Wednesday,
10 a.m.

**For a complete calendar, visit
www.wvc-ut.gov/harman**



Calendar

March

5 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)
(through April 11)
City Hall, Tuesdays & Thursdays,
5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

6 Meet with the Mayor
Mayor's Office, West Valley City Hall,
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

7 Utah's Beehive
(through May 2)
Utah Cultural Celebration Center

20 WVC Wednesdays - NW 360: Observation: Mobile Patrol Training
West Valley City Hall,
6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

21 FIRST Robotics Competition
Maverik Center, 9 a.m. (Free)

22 FIRST Robotics Competition
Maverik Center, 7:30 a.m. (Free)

23 FIRST Robotics Competition
Maverik Center, 7:30 a.m. (Free)

27 Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles
Maverik Center, 7 p.m.

29 Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles
Maverik Center, 7 p.m.

30 Utah Grizzlies vs. Colorado Eagles
Maverik Center, 7 p.m.

April

1 Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet
Utah Cultural Celebration Center,
7 p.m.

2 Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet
Utah Cultural Celebration Center,
10 a.m.

3 Meet with the Mayor
Mayor's Office, West Valley City Hall,
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

11 Big Fix Mobile Spay & Neuter Clinic
Animal Shelter, call
801-432-2124 ext. 10 for an appointment

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17 WVC Wednesdays - NW 411 Information Update: Community Seminar
Community Preservation Building 12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m.

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The West Valley City Neighborhood Services Meet Up trailer will be hitting the road in 2013. Events will be held in each of the four City Council areas and we would like your help in spreading the news. You will find us set up in a city park near you from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Stop by and meet with your City Council and city staff. Learn about city events and services while enjoying some refreshments.

Our first stop is in Council District 1 on Saturday, May 11 at Hillsdale Park. Find out more about upcoming neighborhood meetups and events at www.wvc-ut.gov/meetup



Vote Local

www.wvc-ut.gov/elections

2013 Municipal Elections

Seats up for election (4-year terms):
Mayor

Councilmember At-Large
Councilmember District 2
Councilmember District 4

Filing Period:
June 3 - June 17, 2013

Election Dates:
Primary Election: August 13, 2013
General Election: November 5, 2013